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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 5

Part B for March 1920

SUBJECT.

Pre-audit Cheques issued by Comptr.

To

The Comptroller, Heads of Deptts. & D. Cs. of Dts.
No. 7L 4820-69 & 12.2.1920.
Approval of the Comptroller's recommendation made in U.O. note of 20.10.1919 subject to certain modifications

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Pre-audit cheques issued by Comptroller

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Routine Notes.

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A/S. Finance.

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Please Comptroller's circular dated the 31st May 1917 in regard to - the issue of Pre-audit cheques in all Treasuries.

2 Have copies been submitted to Government according to standing order? ~~and~~ What action has been taken thereon?

3 The system introduced is ~~xxxx~~ rather a risky one and not covered by Standing orders, and the previous sanction of Government should have been obtained therefor.

4 The proposal of Mr. Datta as approved by Government related only to the issue of preaudit cheques for all payments at the District Treasury at Bangalore and not to cheques on other Treasuries.

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5 Please start a file & put up a note discussing the subject. As observed above it is a risky procedure to require Taluk Treasuries pay cheques signed by Asst. Comptrs presented by any party without knowing any particulars regarding the nature of payts. The cheques may bear a chain of endorsement

6 Ascertain the [illegible] 16/11/17 15/12

N.B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

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1 Submitted with a copy of G.O. no 7e 2760-1 – G.7 125-16-2 & 6.12.16 re preaudit cheque system in Bangalore.

Asst 1916 Please put up the rules regarding the Cash payment of bills of less than Rs 100 in the Cs office

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16/6/17

9 Subd. The file re Mr Datta's note on "Preaudit at Head Qrs" is before the Dewan. In accordance with D.O.no 7e 4630 & 19.2.17 issued as per Council Resolution passed in that file, the Comptroller issued his Circular no. T.A.II 2091 & 23.4.17 re payment in his office bills not exceeding Rs100.

Asst 1916

10 Vide 7e Secy's note of 15.6.17. Para 2 – Copies are awaited. If received they may be called for. They might reach in a day or two. Paras. 3 & 4 – The circular is issued apparently on the Comptr's own authority. Vide also paras 4 & 5 of Mr. Datta's note on Preaudit at Hd. Qrs: –

11 The view of Mr. Datta therein expressed that power sanction is not necessary for payment of bills by branches of the Comptr's Bureau of Checques – in respect of Bangalore – has been accepted by the Finance Committee & Govt. – And only during the

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same procedure has been adopted without obtaining previous sanction in respect of bills made payable at mofussil licensing also. The observations marked Mr. D atta in para 1 of this note apply generally to all bills presented at the Cashier's office for payment, whether submitted by special Ad. guards or sent outside Bangalore.

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12 Please ascertain and from the Cashier on a separate note-sheet—

(a) the number of mofussil payment cheques issued during June 1917 & the amount of each cheque

(b) To whom are such cheques sent, to the Opening officer, drawing officer or party.

(c) Whether sent by registered post & if so the total cost.

(d) Whether the cheques have been sent with covering letters or memoranda.

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(a) Statement put up.

(b) Cheques in payment of bills for the personal claims of Officers are sent to them. Those for payment to be made to Government Officers or others by Drawing Officers are sent to the latter. Bills of private persons or firms are submitted for audit after they are passed by the Government Officers concerned and cheques in payment of such bills are sent to payees where the Officers ask for cheques being sent to payees direct; otherwise to the Government Officers through whom bills are received.

(c) Cheques are sent by Registered Post. The total cost in June 1917 was Rs.27-8-0.

(d) Cheques are sent with memorandum stating the particulars of bills paid.

Comptroller.

27 JUL 1917

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Financial Secy. to Govt.

25/7/17

15 Submit with reference to Financial Secy's note

D/ 5-7-17.

31-7-17. Financial Secy. 1.8.17

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I am afraid that the system introduced by the Comptr viz. of issuing forcandit cheques on nonpaid treasuries instead of retiring the bills with forcandit endorsements is open to objection on the following grounds:

(a) It involves extra expense. Though the system was introduced with effect from the 10th June the extra cost in the Comptrs office alone in registration charges was Rs 27/8. In many cases the cheques had to be sent by the offices receiving them to the payees. So the extra cost of post in all the offices when the system will be in full swing will not be inconsiderable.

(b) The forcandit bills could be returned with any accompanying memo. The cheques have to be accompanied by such memoranda. So there is increase of work in the Comptrs office in this respect.

(c) The number of papers to be dealt with in connection with claims is doubled viz. first the bill has to be dealt with & then the forcandit cheque after it is received as a paid treasury voucher.

17 In these circumstances the Comptr may be asked to state the advantages of the system he has introduced.

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1st Member) This may be done 18/4/17 14/8 Draft 18/4/17

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20. Draft Sealed:

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To the Comptroller to G.M.C.
No: Fc: 1214. D 6-9-17.
States that the System introduced by him re. issue of cheques for claims pre-audited and payable at Treasuries other than the State Heavy Treasury appears to be open to objection on certain grounds, and requests to be informed of the advantages of the new system.

12. From the Same.
No 1-A.D. 736 D 14-9-17.
Enumerates the advantages of his system over the old one.

22 Sealed by orders. A tabular form showing brief abstract of the Comptr's reply is put up.

23. May the Comptr. kindly state what the Rly. charges have been during the 3 months, July, August and Sept. 17

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24 Yes

25 Draft 28/9/17

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26. Draft Sealed.

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28. Registration charges incurred in the Comptroller's office from July to Oct. 1917. Rs. as
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——— do from 10-6-17 to 30-6-17. 27-8-

Rs. 150-10-

29. Sealed with reference to note dated 14-10-17.

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An arrangement has been made to verify facsimile signatures of all the paying officers of the Comptroller's office who may have occasion to sign cheques in payment of bills for the supply of the Ice by optica -

If the Ice key does not adopt the new arrangement - may he be watched for some time -

Ice key).

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Put up a note after three months please.

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Pulled on 15.5.1918 16/2

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15/5/18
Ice key)

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15.5.18

Now that the system has worked for some time will the Comptr Kindly state

(a) The number of pro audit cheques on requisit issued every month

(b) Cost incurred in registration fees &c

(c) Whether the system has economised work in the audit office & to what extent? What is the set off against the labour of working

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12.6.18.

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No. 2 Head Clerk's Sheet.

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a cheque & a memo to accompany it in every case?

U.O.No. 36/A dt 9/16 3rd August

The number of cheques drawn during 1917-18 is noted below:-

July	1917 ...	493
August	" ...	864
September	" ...	554
October	" ...	343
November	" ...	621
December	" ...	270
January	1918 ...	561
February	" ...	285
March	" ...	396
April	" ...	321
May	" ...	340
June	" ...	395
		5,443

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The cost incurred is shown in the statement placed in the file.

There is on the whole no reduction of work in this office by the adoption of this procedure. There is some relief to treasuries as it is --- easier for them to pay cheques than bills. --- According to the old arrangement, preaudited bills used to be sent in unregistered covers and it was not safe. The desirability of sending such bills registered appears to have been -- considered more than once in the past. The -- Registration Charges incurred for sending cheque will be necessary whether cheques or bills are

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sent. The new system is, however, better than the old one for reasons explained in my letter No.3300/336 dated the 14th September 1917.

Bangalore.
2nd August 1918.

Comptroller.

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Jersey)

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In the foregoing note the Comptroller admits that there is no reduction of work in his office by the adoption of this procedure. But the fact is that there is considerable increase of work. I asked him what the set off against the labour of writing a cheque and memo to accompany it in every case is. The fact that he has not -- replied to this query shews that there is no set off. So during the year 1917-18, 5,443 cheques and 5,443 memoranda were written in the Comptroller's Office on account of moffusil pre-aud cheques, -- an increase of work against which there is no set off of labour to shew.

The Comptroller says that there is some relief to treasuries by the procedure as it is --- easier for them to pay cheques than bills. As a matter

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Statement showing the amount of charges incurred on sending Telegrams by registered post during eight months from November '17 to June '18.

Months	Bangalore	Kolar	Tumkur	Shimoga	Mysore	Kadur	Hassan	Chitaldrug	Foreign	Total
November 17	2 8.	3 - .	1 14.	5 - :	10 2.	3 8.	3 - .	2 14 -	23 1 6	54 15 6
December 17	. 14.	3 2.	. 14.	3 - .	6 12.	2 2.	1 14.	1 4 -	17 3 -	37 1 -
January '18	2 2.	3 6.	3 6.	6 12.	12 12.	4 2.	1 14 -	3 2.	23 12 6	61 4 6
February '18	2 - .	3 2.	3 10.	5 10.	6 4.	3 6.	2 2.	2 12.	20 13 6	49 11 6
March '18	1 12.	3 6.	1 4 -	4 2.	9 6.	3 10.	2 - .	2 8.	13 11 -	41 11 -
April '18	. 8.	1 8.	1 14 -	4 10.	4 14 -	2 6.	1 10 -	1 12.	17 8 6	36 10 6
May '18	. 10.	3 12.	3 - .	4 2.	7 8.	1 14 -	1 2.	2 14 -	17 3 6	42 1 6
June 18	. 14 -	3 10.	5 - .	4 4 -	12 2.	1 14 -	2 4.	3 - .	28 1 6	61 1 6
Total	11 4 -	24 14 -	20 14 -	37 8.	69 12.	22 14 -	15 14 -	20 2 -	161 7 -	384 9 -

Add amount spent from July '17 to October '17 as already reported in this office letter no: R 526 of 10 December '17 — 123 2 -

Total 507 11 -

Bangalore
2nd August '18.

M. A. Rangaiah
Asstt: Employee

matter of fact, it is easier to pay a pre-audite bill than to pay a cheque. For in many cases - careful enquiry has to be made about the present of a cheque. A pre-audited bill containing the signature of a drawing and perhaps of a counter-signing officer, presented by a known messenger a local office is at least as easy to pay as a - cheque.

As regards the additional expenditure of over Rs. 500 a year entailed in registration fee alone, the Comptroller says that even if the sys of sending the pre-audited bills be restored, th may have to be sent by registered post and so th will be no reduction of expenditure. As a matter fact, pre-audited bills have been sent for year by unregistered post without any hitch. The gr difference between a bill and a cheque is that a bill is payable to the drawer, while a cheque is negotiable and may bear a chain of endorsements and the actual presenter of the cheque may be a man unknown to the Treasury staff. There is ver little risk in a pre-audited bill being sent by ordinary post.

The Comptroller refers to the reasons ex plained in his letter of 14th September 1917. shall now refer to them.

Para I – (a).—The Comptroller says that it is a much better

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better arrangement to the treasuries to cash chequ drawn by one officer than to pay on audit enfacements signed by several officers.

I do not quite agree. Bills would bear othe signatures than that of the Assistant Comptroller including that of a local drawing officer and --- various other particulars which would make fraud more difficult.

(b) In this para, the Comptroller anticipated that the registration charges will be less after some outstanding arrears of travelling allowance bills, etc., have been disposed of. The figures now furnished by him shew that the charges have gone on increasing rather than decreasing. The average for the four months of July 1917 to October 1917 was Rs. 31 per month but for the next eight months the average comes to Rs. 40 per --- month. So in this respect the Comptroller's anticipation has not been fulfilled.

(c) The Comptroller said that it is desirable to make the procedure for accounting all pre-audited bills uniform. The reason why such a course is desirable, while it involves considerable extra work and entails additional expenditure in the shape of postage and printing charges has not been stated. Even now there is no uniformity as the old system is followed in the case of pre-audited

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pre-audited bills passed for payment at Messrs Coutts & Co.

(d) The Comptroller says that the new system does not involve much additional work. As explained above, it involved during the year 1917-18 the preparation of 5,443 cheques and as many separate memoranda. Besides this, there is the extra work and cost of printing cheque forms, memo forms, etc.

(e) The Comptroller admits in this that instead of one document for discharging a c laim, there are two documents, namely the bill itself and the pre-audit cheque. The cheque itself as a treasury voucher requires a separate audit. The labour of noting the payments in audit registers must be considerably less than the labour of preparing a cheque and the memorandum accompanying it and of auditing the cheque as a paid voucher.

With reference to the arguments in paragraph 2 of the letter it may be explained that accounts are on the disbursement basis and not on the liability basis. So there is no meaning in saying that when a claim becomes a liabili it is necessary to bring it into account at on Bills passed for payments through Messrs Coutts & Co. are not booked at once but are taken in the year in which payments are actually made by the Bank.

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This and the system of payment by means cheques drawn by one section of the Comptroller's Office on the Head-quarter Treasury which is itself another section of the same office as at present constituted, require re-examination. The involve much additional work by doubling the number of vouchers to be dealt with. In British India they have pre-audit cheques because the head quarter payments are made by Banks and the Banks would not pay preaudited bills but would require cheques drawn on them. To introduce the preaud cheque system when payment is done at a Governme Treasury is in my opinion a meaningless limitati

The question will be re-examined in the next review of working of the Comptroller's Offi

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Put up after three months with proposal for an inspection of the Comptroller's office.

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Subs with reference to orders on the previous page

Hqrs 18/12/18

[The permanent Comptroller is on privilege leave - it may perhaps be desirable to take up the question after his return.]

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19.12.18

Please put up after Mr Mirk's return to duty.

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9.1.19

Submitted accordingly
Feby 19. please.

9.2.19

20 (Feby).

Please put up in July 19

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Subs with reference to orders above.

Hqrs
15/7/19

(Feby)

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Forwarded with Compliments to the Comptroller for favour of recording his views on the question discussed in the file.

M. Venkatramaiah
18/6/19

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BANGALORE
MYSORE GOVT.

Memo No: 94/1 dt. 20.10.19

The reasons for and against the cheque system introduced by Mr. Datta have been considered in detail in these notes and it seems unnecessary to pursue the discussion further. I will therefore confine my remarks to the consideration of the question from point of view of convenience with due regard of course to audit requirements.

2. I may state at the outset that under the reorganization scheme introduced by Mr. Datta much of the work which was being done, in the treasuries has been transferred to this office and any measure which would reduce work in this office would therefore be welcome.

3. Under the system formerly in vogue, bills were passed for payment by this office and presented to the treasury direct with audit memorandum or payment orders impressed thereon. Under the present system the audited bills are retained and cheques issued in lieu of payment orders. With

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separate paying agencies of our own, viz. the treasuries, the auditing agency should as far as possibl be relieved of the duties devolving on the former, and in this view I would strongly advocate the syste of payment by cheques, entailing considerable additional work on this office, by the maintenance of separate Pay and Pre-audit Compilation sections bein done away with, and thereby secure equitable distribution of labour.

4. The bulk of the payments arranged for by the Pay section of this office relate to bills of office located at Bangalore which are paid by cheques drawn on the State Huzur Treasury. In regard to the preaudited bills made payable at this treasury I see no objection to these bills, after they are audited and payment order impressed thereon, being handed over to the presenter of the bills for presentation at the S.H.Try. which forms part of this office and is situated in the same building. The risk if any of these bills being lost or misused is the same as in the cas of any bill which having been passed for payment in one department of the treasury, say the Account Depar ment, is made over to the presenter for presentation at another, say the Treasury Department.

5. In regard to preaudit bills payable at moffussil treasuries the risk of the bills being misused while in transit or in the sending or receiving offic may be prevented by insisting on the contents of the bill being receipted by the Drawing Officer or the -

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payee after audit and before presentation at the treasury. In fact this was the procedure laid dow for payment of Travelling Allowance bills when they were being preaudited by this office, the Drawing or Disbursing Officer being required to receipt the contents of the bill separately above his signature before presenting them for payment at the treasury the words "contents received" being scored out by this office if inadvertently entered or retained above his signature as Drawing Officer. This simple expedient will prevent the bills being misused should they fall into unscrupulous hands.

6. In the rare cases in which audited bills with payment orders thereon are lost the provisions in Art. 20 (a) of the Mysore Account Code have to be resorted to.

7. Bills payable at moffussil treasuries and sent to this office for preaudit come under one or other of the following classes:-

i) Bills in which claims are included the payment of which requires the sanction of this office under Art. 10 (a) and (b) of the - Mysore Account Code.

ii) Bills for payment of interest falling due periodically such as interest on Charitable Endowment Deposits and etc.

iii) Bills for advances and supplies and services which are not drawn on Establishment or Contingent bills payable by the treasury or for the payment of which the treasury has no au-

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authority and which therefore are sent to this office for preaudit.

8. In the case of bills of the first class this office after satisfying itself that the claims preferred in the bill has not been discharged returns them to the Drawing Officer with a letter of authority to the treasury for its payment as in the case of the establishment bills directly presented at the treasury

9. In the case of the bills of the second class the amounts of the bills are payable to Government officers and Managers of Institutions who prepare the bills and send them to this office. These are very simple documents for a definite ~~classing~~ claim arising periodically, and I see no objection to their being returned with payment orders impressed thereon for presentation at the treasury (vide para // infra).

10. Claims falling under the third class could either be returned with ~~tokens~~ letters of authority for payment as in the case of bills of the first class or with the payment orders impressed thereon as circumstances may permit. There is no necessity for issuing cheques in these cases.

11. There are the two following objections which may be urged against the system of payment on audit endorsements or payment orders impressed on bills:-

i) The undesirability of an audited bill leaving the audit office.

ii) The unnecessary transmission of bills to and from the treasury.

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The reason why a bill passed in audit and paid should not leave the office is that as it is the on original document absolving Government of the liabi lity in respect of the claim therein preferred it should be preserved intact, and the possibility of tamp ing with it and preferring a subsequent false claim prevented. I do not consider that this objection applies with equal force to a bill which though audited remains undischarged. The bill at this stage is an incomplete document, and the possibility of tampering with it is remote and does not practically exist. The payment order distinctly specifies in figures and words the amount for which the bill is passed and the probability of tampering with it is, as in the case of a cheque, out of question. The fraudulent correction of the details of a bill without its affecting the net amount for which it is pass ed, with the object of making up a fictitious claim subsequently is of course possible, but if the drawer of the bill scrutinizes the claim with reference to the original documents which he is expected to do, an the Audit Office maintains a proper record of the audit of bills such fraudulent claims are not likely to escape detection. I personally think that this is not a very material objection to the system of payment on audit endorsements on bills being re-introduced, if it is simpler and entails less work than the system of payment by cheques. The former system was in vogue for upwards of a quarter of a century and that it worked well, is I consider, in itself an argument in its favour.

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12. In regard to the second objection though it may seemingly appear that the system formerly in vogue involves the unnecessary transmission of bills to and from the treasury, such a precedure will considerably minimize work by doing away with the necessity for the maintenance in this office of separate Pay and Preaudit Compilation sections and the additional work devolving on audit and account sections of having to prepare forwarding and disallowance memos and exercise watch over the balances in ~~the respect reports~~ of the credits and debits under the head "Preaudit cheques" with its attendant inconveniences. The advantages I think considerably outweigh the disadvantages if any under the former system, and I would rather make the bills pass through the treasury and have them posted in the classified abstract of the District auditors along with other bills than adopt the elaborate system of payment by cheques.

13. In these circumstances I consider it desirable to adopt the system of payment on audit endorsements on bills, which was formerly in vogue.

PRR/ 18.X.19.

I Satyanarayana
Offg. Comptroller.

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This case relates to the procedure for pa
of claims that come up for examination by the Au
Office before payment by Treasuries. On the ad
of Mr. Datta, the system of pre-audit of all hea
ter. claims and their payment by cheques was ado
and the arrangement of payment by cheques has a
been followed in respect of mofussil bills which
rules require to be pre-audited. The question wh
the payment should be by cheques or on pre-audit
bills themselves returned for presentation at tr
ies has been under consideration for some time.
the present Comptroller had not taken part in t
discussion, I requested him to express his opini
recommendations are the following:-

(1) The system of pre-audit of headquarter cla
may continue but that payment may be made not on
cheques but upon bills bearing audit enfacements.

(2) Mofussil claims requiring examination by
Audit Office before payment, need not also be pai
means of cheques but on audited bills returned fo
presentation at the Treasury for encashment, or
letters of authority for payment issued by the Co
troller according to the rules of his department.
the case of these bills the drawers may be requir
receipt the contents of bills on the return of t
latter by the Audit Office and before presentatio
the Treasury and not at the time that they are

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submitted to the Comptroller's Office for audit.

I advocated the system of payment by cheq chiefly on two grounds: (1) cheques are always mo convenient documents for making payments and it is desirable to encourage their use; and, (2) a clai which is preferred and accepted in audit as a char against Government becomes a liability and it i s best to bring it on accounts at once instead of --- waiting until actual payment is made by the Treasu

The present system, no doubt, entails som additional work on the Comptroller's Office and in view of this, the Comptroller strongly recommends the reversion to the system of returning the pre-audited bills instead of issuing cheques in lieu of them. I think the Comptroller's recommendation -- may be accepted subject to one or two conditions. According to the system now in force, headquarter bills are paid on cheques drawn not only on t h e State Huzur Treasury but also on the Banks of Mad-ras and Mysore, Bangalore. In the case of some Government offices and persons having claims agai Government, it is more convenient for them to tak payment from the Bank of Mysore than from t h e State Huzur Treasury and it is not possible t o withhold this convenience. Neither the Bank o f Mysore nor the Bank of Madras can be expected to make payments upon audited bills. Accordingly the system

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system of issuing cheques for claims to be paid at these two Banks has to be continued. There are also claims to be discharged from our accounts with the Bank of Madras, Madras; and the Bank of Bombay Bombay; and these can only be paid by means of cheques drawn upon them. The issue of cheques upon these Banks has also to be continued. So far as claims payable by the State Huzur Treasury are concerned, the system of returning the bills themselves for presentation at the treasury for encashment, proposed by the Comptroller, may be accepted. His proposal in respect of mofussil claims may also be approved subject to the pre-caution suggested by him.

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Yes. I quite agree. May be circulated to Hon members & remarks for information

30.11.19

Chief Sec to Govt 1.12.19

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Sulei Ali 1st member, 2nd member, 3rd member) - I am in full agreement with the proposals of the Comptroller as amended by the Hon. Secy in his note of

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Please this may involve a reduction which the Comptroller may be called his estimates in proportion.

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* The Comptr. may be consulted U.O. about reduction of estabt.

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The sanctioned strength of the Pay Section is the following:-- One Accountant, two clerks and one shroff. The accountant and one clerk will still be required in this office for work connected with the receipt and return of local and mofussil bills, for the writing of cheques on banks and maintaining the accounts connected therewith. The shroff and the other clerk will be required in the State Huzur Treasury which will hereafter have to make all the payments now made in the Pay Section. The new system does not therefore reduce any of the existing hands. The relief to this office, however, arises from the fact that during the beginning of every month and on other days of heavy work men from other sections had to be detailed off to this section to the prejudice of their normal work. The new procedure will also afford some slight relief to the over-worked District Auditors.

J. Satyanarayana
Comptroller.

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19 To the Comptr, Heads of Depts
& Deputy Commrs of Dists.
No: H 4820-69 Dated 12th Febr:
Approves of the Comptrollers recommen
tion made in his U.O. note G 20/10/19 Subje
& certain Modifications ~~that when passed~~

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Date of issue 6-9-1917

Signed by M.S. B. Srinivasa Iyengar

To

The Comptroller to Govt
Bangalore

Sir,

I am directed to invite a reference to your circular no 2178 dated 31st May 1917 to all Heads of Depts: and Dy: Comrs in regard to the extension of the ~~issuing of~~ pleasure Pre-audit cheques, ~~payable~~ in respect of claims payable at all Treasuries other than the Bangalore Treasury and to state that this chan

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procedure adopted by you appears to be open to objection on the following grounds:—

(a) It is a risky procedure to require Taluk Treasuries to pay cheques signed by Assistant Comptrollers presented by any party, without knowing any particulars regarding the nature of the payment. ~~The cheques drawn bear a check~~ ~~of the endorsements~~

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(b) The arrangement of sending cheques by registered post involves extra expense. ~~It~~ having been introduced as with effect from the 10th June 1917, it has involved ~~a~~ the extra cost during that month in your office alone in registration charges to the extent of ~~Rs~~ Rs 27/8. As in many cases the cheques will have to be sent by the officers receiving

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them to the payees, the extra cost to Govt. in all the offices, when the System will be in full swing will not be inconsiderable;

(c) The arguments advanced and accepted by Govt. in favor of the system of issuing pre-audit cheques at Head Quarters instead of returning the bills with pre-audit endorsements (Vide para 1 of Mr: Datta's note on pre-audit at Head quarters) do not apply with equal force to bills payable at Mofussil Treasuries;

(d) The pre-audit bills could be returned without any accompanying memo: while under the new

applies you
arrangement the cheques
have to be accompanied
by ~~such~~ letters or memoranda; and
(c) The number of papers
to be dealt with in the
Comptroller's office in
connection with claims
is doubled viz first the
bill has to be dealt with
and then the preaudit
cheque after it is received
as a paid treasury voucher.
2. I am therefore to
request you to be so good
as to state, ~~for~~ clearly for the information of Govt: the ~~of~~
advantages of the
System you have
introduced.

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I have etc.

M/BG

Finl Secy.

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A statement of observations made by the Finl: Secy: & the Comptroller's reply thereon re the procedure of issuing Pre-audit cheques in respect of claims payable at all Treasuries other than Bangalore

Finl: Secy's observation	Comptroller's reply	Further note by the Finl Secy
(a) The system introduced by the Comptroller is risky as according to the new system the Dk: Treasuries know nothing of particulars re payments made by them.	The new system was introduced with the object of making the P.W. Deptt: to render accounts for charges incurred before paying them. Particulars of payment are not necessary for Dk Treasuries as they now pay, Mun[icipal] & other cheques without any details. (might continue paying) Only one Asstt: Comptr signs pre audit cheques & it is much better arrangement to cash cheques drawn by one officer	Secy's note at A. This is doubtful. The bill misses (sic) other signatures including those of a local officer and other particulars which would make fraud more difficult.
(b) Postal charges incurred by sending cheques by registered Post involve extra cost.	After the introduction of post audit of D.A bills outside Bangalore the number of bills to be pre-audited & paid at Mofussil Treasuries will not be many. On account of the accumulation of D.A bills noted in the Comptroller's office before the introduction of post audit the Registration charges are heavy & as soon as those arrears are cleared the Mofussil bills will be much less & the registration charges will be reduced.	
(c) The arguments for introduction of pre-audit cheques at Head Quarters do not apply with equal force to bills payable outside Bangalore.	The procedure for pre-audit of claims is the same whether they are payable at Bangalore or outside. It is desirable to make the procedure for accounting for all pre-audited claims uniform.	

Finl: Secy's observations	Comptroller's reply	Further note by the Finl: Secy
(d) The preaudit bills can be returned without any accompanying memo.	Such particulars as are necessary to identify the bills and to note the disallowances if any, are given in the memorandum which will be simple and do not involve much work.	
(e) The number of papers to be dealt with in the Comptroller's office in this connection will be doubled.	Under the old arrangement pre-audited bills had to be dealt with twice. According to the new system these two parts of the work are done with reference to two documents - bills & cheques & there is no need to note dates of payment of bills in Audit Registers.	The number of documents is thus doubled.

General Advantages

1) It is necessary to bring the admitted claim or liability into account at once instead of awaiting the return of the paid bills from the Treasury.

2) The charge will at once appear against the final head instead of pending debit in the accounts & of the consequent balance of grants appearing larger than they really are.

3) It is necessary to discharge an accepted liability with the least possible delay.

4) The best procedure for providing for prompt payment is to issue short term cheques and watch their timely payment from outstandings brought out under an account head.

To Mr Campbell

A 176 15 Q 22-7-1915

( ) M. 125-16; Notes 18 pages.

Correspondence — D. 1377, with (a Statement)

Statement of observations by the Secy &
Comptr respecting the claim payable for
all Drawn Bills other than Bengal.

QF 125-16 PC 17; D. 628; JC 1214;

Previous — PRC 119; QF. 2760-1/QF 125-16-2
Q 6-12-1916.

Mysore Gazette Q 7th June 1917.

QF 125-16 PC 718; one Statement;
Suggested B I case form. & Secretaries note.

JC 124. R 10-7-17.

Amount of Foreign Cheques drawn upon other Insurances (Mr Strasby)

during June 1917.

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OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER TO THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

Dated, Bangalore, the 14th ~~19~~ September 1917

FROM

M. N. KRISHNA RAO, ESQ., B.A.,
Comptroller to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

To Rajamantrapravina
Dewan Bahadur J.S. Chakravarti, ESQ., M.A., F.R.A.S., Etc.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Financial *Department.*

SIR,

With reference to your letter No. Fl. 1214 / G.F.125-16—II Dated 6th September 1917 re: issue of cheques for claims pre-audited by this office and payable at Treasuries other than the State Huzur Treasury, I have the honor to state as follows in regard to the observations contained in it about the new procedure.

(a). Cheques of departmental officers are being drawn on and paid by Taluk Treasuries. The recent change in regard to presentation at Treasuries of bills passed for payment by Public Works Department Officers was not with the object of requiring the Treasuries to know particulars regarding the nature of payments but to make the Public Works Department Officers render accounts for charges incurred, before paying them. The Taluk Treasuries are and will continue to pay Municipal and other cheques without any details regarding the nature of payments and they will similarly pay pre-audit cheques also. I do not think there is any risk in the procedure. Only one Assistant Comptroller signs pre-audit cheques, while if the pre-audited bills themselves are to be - presented for payment, the pre-audit enfacements would be signed by

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FROM

M. N. KRISHNA RAO, ESQ., B.A.,
Offg. Comptroller to the Govt. of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

To

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Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore,
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several Assitant Comptrollers in charge of the different audit sections. It is a much better arrangement for the Treasuries to cash cheques drawn by one officer than to pay on the audit enfacements signed by several officers.

(b). Now that Travelling Allowance Bills payable outside Bangalore are subject to post-audit, the number of bills to be pre-audited and paid at mofussil Treasuries will not be many. A large number of arrear Travelling Allowance Bills have been accumulated by some departments and these bills have added so far to the number of payments to be made on pre-audit cheques drawn on other Treasuries and after these old claims are settled, the number of mofussil bills for pre-audit will be much less and the registration charges will also be reduced.

(c). The procedure for pre-audit of claims is the same whether they are payable at Bangalore or outside. It is desirable to make the procedure for accounting for all pre-audited claims uniform Vide para 2 infra.

(d). The only particulars necessary are for indentification of bills in payment of which cheques are issued, Memoranda giving only these particulars will be simple and do not involve much work. Where there are disallowances, particulars of them will be added to the accompanying Memoranda.

(e). Under the old arrangement, pre-audited bills had to be dealt with twice - once when auditing the claims and again on receipt of paid bills to see, if payments are properly made and to note dates of payment in Audit Registers. Now these two parts of the work are done with reference to two documents - bills and cheques and ther is no need to note dates of payment of bills in Audit Registers.

2. Once a claim is audited and admitted, it becomes a liability and it is necessary to bring it into account at once. This will not be possible, if the pre-audited bills are returned. So far as accounts relating to the particular service on account of which a claim is preferred and admitted is concerned, the transaction is complete and the charge should at once appear against the final head

head, as the admission of a claim means debit to the head concerned. Otherwise a charge though incurred and accepted in audit is kept out of account and the progress of expenditure under the head concerned will not be a correct representation of facts and pending debit in accounts, the unexpended balances of grants are made to appear larger than they really are. The Budget check of expenditure is also - - interfered with by the procedure of admitting claims but postponing their accounting. After a claim is preferred and passed, the subsequent transaction is simply one of payment and it is necessary to discharge an accepted liability with the least delay possible and the best procedure for providing for prompt payment is to issue short - term cheques and watch their timely payment from outstandings brought out under an account head. One uniform procedure for dealing with all pre-audit claims whether payable at Bangalore or outside is also desirable.

For reasons explained above, I think that the new procedure has much to recommend it and that it is an improvement on the old one.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

MT/14-9.

Comptroller.

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Signed by M Srinivasagam

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To

The Comptr: to Govt

Sir,

With reference to your letter no. 3300/3-A-1 336 dated 14th September 19 ~~stating that the new procedure introduced by you~~ in regard to the issue of cheques to claims preaudited and payable at Treasuries other than the State Hqrs

Treasury ~~has much to~~
~~recommend it and that~~
~~it is an improvement on~~
~~the old one.~~ I am directed
to request you to be so good
as to ~~let me know~~ send a statement showing the
~~number Registered~~ total amount
of charges incurred in
sending cheques by
registered post to
Provincial Treasuries
during the 4 months
from July to ~~Sept~~ Oct: 1917.

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In reply to this Comm. please refer to
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OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER TO THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

Dated Bangalore, the 10th December 1917.

FROM

M. N. KRISHNA RAO, ESQ., B.A.,
Comptroller to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

To

Rajamantrapravina Diwan Bahadur
J. S. Chakravarti, ESQ., M.A., F.R.A.S. etc.
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Financial *Department.*

SIR,

With reference to your letter No.Fl.2296/G.F.125-16-17 dated 6th November 1917, I have the honor to forward herewith a statement showing the charges incurred on account of Registration charges during the months from July to ~~end of~~ October 1917 and to state that they amount to Rs.123-2-0. During this period also, a very large number of arrear travelling allowance bills relating to the period for 1915-16 and 1916-17 were audited and paid by cheques drawn on other Treasuries.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

Comptroller.

SAM.

10.12.17

Statement showing the amount of charges incurred in sending cheques by registered post to Mofussil Missories during four months – from July to October 1917.

	Bangalore	Kolar	Tumkur	Shemoga	Mysore	Kadur	Hassan	Chitaldroog	Total.
July.	1 4 .	4 12 .	2 12 .	5 . .	12 10 .	2 10 .	4 . .	3 12 .	
August.	. 10 .	3 14 .	4 12 .	3 12 .	12 14 .	3 8 .	3 10	3 10 .	
September	2 . .	2 4 .	2 12 .	3 . .	10 . .	2 10 .	2 10	1 12 .	
October	1 4 .	1 8 .	2 – .	3 10 .	9 14 .	1 6 .	1 4 .	1 14 .	
	5 2 .	12 6 .	12 4 .	15 6 .	45 6 .	10 2 .	11 8 .	11 . .	Total Rs 123-2-0

Bangalore
10-12-1917

M A Campbell
Chief Superintendent.

10.12.17

Fair Draft.

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read:-

1. Government Order No. Fl.2760-1/G.F.125-16-2, dated 6th December 1916 approving of the Comptroller's proposal for payment of salary and other bills subject to pre-audit and payable at head quarters by means of cheques from 1st December 1916.

2. Circular No.2178 dated 31st May 1917 issued by the Comptroller extending from 10th June 1917 the practice of payment by cheques to pre-audited bills payable at Treasuries other than at Head-quarters.

3. Un-official Note No.94/R.T.A.D.A. dated 20th October 1919 from the Comptroller ~~xxx~~ pointing out certain ~~xxx~~ inconveniences in the present arrangement, suggesting ~~revision~~ reversion to the old system of returning pre-audited bills with endorsement for presentation at the Treasury both in respect of bills payable at Head-quarters as well as in mofussil Treasuries, and proposing that in regard to the latter the risk of the bills being misused while in transit or in the sending or receiving offices may be prevented by insisting on the contents of the bill being receipted by the drawing officer or the payee after audit and before presentation at the treasury.

Order No. Fl 4820-69 / 2725-16

Dated, Bangalore the 12th February 1920.

Government approve of the Comptroller's recommendation made in his un-official note above subject to the modifications that when payees desire to have payment at the Banks of Madras and Mysore, Bangalore, cheques on these banks should be issued and that claims to be discharged from Government accounts ~~xxx~~

with the Bank of Madras, Madras and the Bank of Bombay, Bombay, should also continue to be paid by means of cheques as heretofore.

Fair Draft

For Offg. Financial Secretary to Govt.

To

The Comptroller to Government
" Heads of Departments
" Deputy Commissioners of Districts.

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(1) G.O. no: H 2760-1-G.F 125-16-2 dated 6th December 1916 approving of the ~~proposal~~ Circular for payment of salary and other bills subject to pre-audit and payable at head quarters ~~being paid~~ by means of cheques from 1st December 1916.

(2) Circular no: 2178 dated 31st May 1917 issued by the Comptroller extending from 10th June 1917 the practice of ~~issuing~~ payment by cheques ~~drawn by his office~~ to pre-audited bills payable at

May this be

i Printed ?

ii treated as a standing order ?

iii published in the Gazette, English Part ?

iv translated ?

v placed at the disposal of the press ?

vi published in the Gazette Kannada Part ?

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treasuries other than at Headquarters. 611

(3) U.O. note No: 94/R T.A.D.A
dated 20th October 1919 from
the Comptroller ~~stating that~~
~~in the circumstances explained~~
~~it is desirable to revert~~
enquiring
to the old system of returning
pre-audited bills with endorse-
ment for presentation at
the Treasury, ~~as was formerly~~
~~in vogue~~, in respect of
bills payable at Headquarters
as well as in mofussil Treasuries,
and proposing that in regard to
the latter the risk of the
bills being misused while
in transit or in the sending
or receiving offices may
be prevented by insisting
on the contents of the bill
being receipted by the
drawing officer or the payee
after audit and before
presentation at the treasury.

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pointing out certain inconveniences under the present arrangement.

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of pre audited bills by cheques ~~was adopted~~ as in British India was adopted in view of the Considerations that cheques are always more convenient documents for making payments and that it is best to bring it on accounts immediately after audit, a claim preferred and accepted a liability against Govt.

~~2~~ This arrangement, it is reported, entails additional work on the Comptroller's office and in view of this, the Comptroller strongly recommends reversion to the old system of returning the pre-audited bills to parties for presentation at the Treasury instead of issuing cheques in lieu of them.

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2 ~~Considering all the circumstances of the case, for~~ Govt approved ~~accept~~ the Comptroller's recommendation made in his

U.O. note above Subject to the modifications that when payees desire to have payment at the Banks of Madras and Mysore, Bangalore, cheques on the banks should be issued, and Claims to be discharged from accounts with the Bank of Madras, Madras and the Bank of Bombay, Bombay, should also continue to be paid by means of cheques as heretofore

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To The Comptroller
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Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

G. O. No. Fl. 4820-60—G. F. 125-16-19, dated 12th February 1920.

Pre-audited Bills.

Approves with certain modifications of the suggestion of the Comptroller *re* revo to the old system of returning —— with endorsement for presentation at t Treasury both in respect of bills payable at Headquarters as well as in mofus Treasuries.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

Read—

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2. Circular No. 2178, dated 31st May 1917, issued by the Comptroller extending from 10th June 1917 the practice of payment by cheques to pre-audited bills payable at Treasuries other than at Headquarters.

3. Un-official Note No. 94—R. T. A. D. A., dated 20th October 1919 from the Comptroller pointing out certain inconveniences in the present arrangement, suggesting reversion to the old system of returning pre-audited bills with endorsement for presentation at the Treasury both in respect of bills payable at Headquarters as well as in mofussil Treasuries, and proposing that in regard to the latter the risk of the bills being misused while in transit or in the sending or receiving offices may be prevented by insisting on the contents of the bill being receipted by the drawing officer or the payee after audit and before presentation at the treasury.

Order No. Fl. 4820-69—G. F. 125-16-19, dated 12th February 1920.

Government approve of the Comptroller's recommendation made in his un-official note above subject to the modifications that when payees desire to have payment at the Banks of Madras and Mysore, Bangalore, cheques on these banks should be issued and that claims to be discharged from Government accounts with the Bank of Madras, Madras and the Bank of Bombay, Bombay, should also continue to be paid by means of cheques as heretofore.

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To—The Comptroller to Government.
The Heads of Departments.
The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.

Exd.—C. R.